

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of )  
Yokote Ryuji ) Group Art Unit:  
Application No.: Unassigned ) Examiner:  
Filed: April 13, 2005 ) Confirmation No.:  
For: QUALITY INSPECTION METHOD )  
AND QUALITY INSPECTION )  
DEVICE )  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-captioned application, it is requested that  
this application be amended as set forth herein.